



SILC Meeting Minutes DC Statewide Independent Living Council January 25, 2019 12:00pm- 2:00pm 2600 12th Street, NE Washington, DC 20018

Attendees:

District of Columbia Statewide Independent Living Council

Darnise Henry Bush – SILC Chairperson Richard Simms, Director DCCIL –(Via phone) Heyab Berhan – Member Ivy Bulluck – Member Thomas Mangrum – Member Jerome Parson – Member

Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA)

Andrea Hall, RSA/DDS Representative Dahlia Johnson, DCSILC Administrative Assistant

Guest

Debbie Berhane, DCCIL (Representing Richard Simms, Executive Director) George Aguehounde, DCCIL

1. Call to Order

The SILC's first meeting of the year was called to order by the chair, Ms. Darnise Henry Bush.

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2. Membership Update

<u>M</u>s. Bush informed the membership that she had been contacted by the Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointment (MOTA). A few of the members had fulfilled their 2 term requirement and would be coming off the Board.

Those members are as listed: Yvonne Z. Smith, Marsha Thompson and Yolandra Plummer. Each of them must remain off the Board for one year. The Board was informed that Ms. Smith would be attending the 2019 SILC Congress in Orlando, Florida.

Discussion included reducing the membership to 13 or 15 members, so that a quorum would be easier to reach and also help the SILC schedule 4 meetings per year instead of 6 bi-monthly meetings. Ms. Henry Bush verified this information with the SILC board and also discussed it with MOTA representatives to determine compliance with state and local law. A vote on this matter will take place shortly.

3. Year 2018 in Review

The year 2018 was not a very a successful year, due to the fact that SILC did not hold the consumer forum and the SILC's website was not setup. Several 2017-2019 goals were not met. This means that the 2017-2019 SPIL will have to come into compliance this year or an explanation must be included in the 2019 Fiscal 704 Report. We only have a few months to accomplish the SPIL Goals. Each member will receive an electronic copy of the 2017-2019 SPIL to review and be prepared to provide recommendations as to how and when our SPIL goals will be achieved. Please note that the new 3 year State Plan 2020- 2023 must be completed and submitted by June 30, 2019.

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4. 704 Monitoring Report

The SILC successfully completed their part of the 704 Monitoring Report. The 704 deadline was extended to the end of January, 2019. When it is finally approved each member receives an electronic copy of the 704.

2019 Planned Activities and Reporting Projections – Reaching and maintaining a quorum; reducing total number of SILC members; from 21 to 15; establishing SILC Web Informational Site and Planning an 2019 Consumer Forum and Youth summit.

• Resource Plan 2019

We have spent less than the Resource Plan projection for years 2017 and 2018. We are planning a forum and transition summit for 2019 to take place in September. Each entity, the SILC, CIL and DSE should be prepared to do their part to make it a success.

• State Plan 2020-2023

The Center has offered the SILC space in their new office. If this were to happen, we would be sub-leasing. There is a possibility that this may not work. As of now we do not pay rent. If this happens, we would be responsible for our own rent, setting up a website and ordering supplies. We have to give this serious consideration.

The first SPIL meeting will take place on February 19, 2019, with the executive board in attendance at 250 E SW, Washington, DC. 20024

The next SILC meeting will take place at 2600 12th St., NE, with each member reviewing the current SPIL and providing recommendations at the next meeting on Thursday, March 28, 2019, 12:00pm -2:00pm.

